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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application, which includes information cited and discussed in the specification.

C.W. TANG et al., "Organic Electroluminescent Diodes", Appl. Phys. Letts., Vol. 51, No. 12, pp. 913-915 (1987), which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 2, second full paragraph;

U.S. Patent No. 5,917,280 A, which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 4, second full paragraph;

U.S. Patent No. 5,932,895 A, which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 4, second full paragraph;

U.S. Patent No. 6,239,453 B1; and

Commonly assigned U.S. Application No. 10/736,747 Application No. to Takafumi Hamano et al., filed December 17, 2003.

Applicants note that a copy of the above-indicated U.S. application is attached. Moreover, the Examiner is invited to review the file of the application at the Patent and Trademark Office.

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449 listing each of the document except for the U.S. application which is not a publication. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

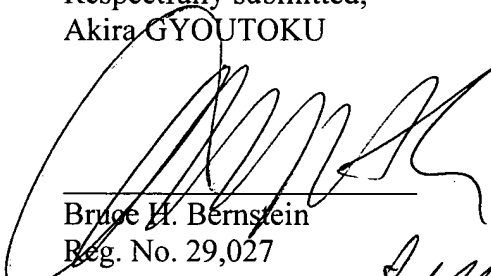
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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

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		1	C.W. TANG et al., "Organic Electroluminescent Diodes", Appl. Phys. Letts., Vol. 51, No. 12,
			pp. 913-915 (1987).

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